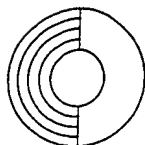




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RE: Applicant: Thomas Paul Downs

Application Number: 09/909/087

Filed: July 20, 2001

For: Protective Divider and Enclosure Disc Assembly

Dear David,

In my compliance of 37 C.F.R. 1.121, I intended to make it clear that the Protective Divider Disc and the Enclosure Disc Assembly is dependent and related to each other in every way except when an Enclosure Disc is in the Laser Disc Drive. I expected that the restriction requirement would not be required. I expected that my fulfilled requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121 would also fulfill the reconsideration of requirement 37 CFR 1.143.

I do not believe this application requires division. If it is deemed that a division is required and I have no other choice then divide Claim 1 from 2-5. It is to my understanding that I would be able to file a division application and obtain Claims 2-5 before a final action.

I have enclosed the extension fee of \$205.00

Very truly yours,

Thomas Paul Downs

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